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CLEAN VERSION

Please amend the Oath and Declaration, Claim 3, and the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

Oath and Declaration

Attached please find a substitute Declaration.

Claim 3

3. (Amended) An apparatus for counting tickets comprising:

a housing;

a transport device coupled to the housing capable of guiding at least one ticket into the housing and tickets are printed with a pattern;

a light source positioned on a first side of the ticket;

a detector positioned on the second side of the ticket; and

the signal analyzer coupled to the detector to analyze a signal provided by the detector.

Abstract of Disclosure

(Amended) A method to count tickets which includes a translucent ticket with an opaque pattern with translucent portions, including a light source on the first side of the ticket and a detector on a second side of the ticket, providing relative motion between the ticket and the detector. The pattern and translucent portions are detected with the detector.